

Oklahoma Sheep Report

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July 1, 2006 Inventory

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JULY 1 ALL SHEEP AND LAMB INVENTORY SHOWS SLIGHT DECREASE

UNITED STATES: All sheep and lamb inventory in the United States on July 1, 2006, totaled 7.77 million head, down slightly from July 1, 2005, but 2 percent above July 1, 2004.

Breeding sheep inventory at 4.64 million head on July 1, 2006, was down slightly from July 1, 2005. Ewes one year old and older, at 3.78 million head, were also slightly below last year.

Market sheep and lambs on July 1, 2006, totaled 3.15 million head, were down slightly from July 1, 2005. Market lamb inventory at 3.06 million head was comprised of 1.80 million lambs under 65 pounds, 630,000 lambs 65-84 pounds, 370,000 lambs 85-105 pounds, and 260,000 lambs over 105 pounds. Market sheep inventory was 80,000 head.

The 2006 lamb crop of 4.10 million head was down 1 percent from the 2005 lamb crop.

Class	United States		
	2005	2006	2006 as Percent of 2005
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>
All Sheep & Lambs	7,800	7,770	100
Breeding Sheep	4,655	4,635	100
Ewes 1 Year +	3,790	3,780	100
Rams 1 Year +	185	185	100
Replacement Lambs	680	670	99
Market Sheep & Lambs	3,145	3,135	100
Market Sheep 1 Year +	90	80	89
Market Lambs	3,055	3,055	100
Lambs Under 65 Lbs.	1,810	1,795	99
Lambs 65-84 Lbs.	635	630	99
Lambs 85-105 Lbs.	350	370	106
Lambs over 105 Lbs.	260	260	100
Lamb Crop ¹	4,130	4,100	99

¹Lamb crop: Lambs born in the Eastern States plus lambs docked or branded in the Western States.